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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADE MARK OFFICE

In re the Application of  
BRUCE NACHMAN

Application No. 08/669, 056

Filed JUNE 24, 1996

For: INTERFACE CIRCUIT FOR UTILIZING A FACSIMILE  
COUPLED TO A PC AS A SCANNER OR PRINTER

This Amendment is in Response to the Office Action of 8/12/2004.

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Examiner: Cheukfan Lee

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**Amendment:**

In response to the Office Action Summary of 8/12/2004, please amend claims 27, 29,  
32 - 34, 36, 38 - 48, and 52 - 54 as follows:

**Claims:**

Claims 1-26 (cancelled)

Claim 27. (previously amended) - A method of creating a scanning capability  
from a facsimile machine to a computer, with scanned image digital data signals  
transmitted through a bi-directional direct connection via a passive link between  
the facsimile machine and the computer, comprising the steps of:

by-passing or isolating the facsimile machine and the computer from the public  
network telephone line;

coupling the facsimile machine to the computer;